

DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CONCERNING PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

Pertaining to the Pierce's Disease Control Program

Notice was properly mailed and published in the California Regulatory Notice Register on July 25, 2003, that the Department of Food and Agriculture proposes to in Division 4, Chapter 4, Subchapter 5, amend Article 3 and Sections 3651(c)(1), 3655(c)(1), 3658 and 3662 of the regulations in Title 3 of the California Code of Regulations pertaining to Pierce's Disease Control Program.

It is necessary to move the location of the public hearing published in the notice, but not change the date or time. The Department apologizes if this has caused any inconvenience.

A public hearing concerning the proposed action will be held on Tuesday, September 9, 2003 at 10:00 a.m., at the Tulare County Department of Agriculture, Agriculture Auditorium, 4437 S. Laspina Street, Tulare, California.

A representative of the Department of Food and Agriculture will preside the hearing. Any interested person, or his or her duly authorized representative, may appear and be heard. Persons who speak are requested to register prior to the hearing. The prehearing registration will be conducted at the location of the hearing from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Those registered persons will be heard in the order of their registration. Any other person who wishes to speak at the hearing will be afforded such opportunity after the registered persons have been heard. The hearing will continue until there are no persons present to address the Department or until 1:00 p.m.

In response to requests received from members of the public reporting sensitivity to fragrances, the Department respectfully requests that public meeting attendees consider not wearing fragrances or scented products while at the meeting.

If the number of preregistered persons and other participants in attendance at the hearing warrants it, the presiding officer may limit the time for each presentation in order to allow everyone wishing to speak the opportunity to be heard.

Any person, or his or her duly authorized representative, who does not wish to speak at the hearing may present written statements to the presiding officer at the hearing, or may submit written statements on or before September 8, 2003 to the agency officer named below. Following the public hearing and the written comment period, the Department of Food and Agriculture, at its own motion, or at the instance of any interested person, may adopt the proposal substantially as set forth without further notice.

Written comments not presented at the hearing must be received by September 8, 2003 and must be addressed to Stephen S. Brown, Department of Food and Agriculture, Plant Health and Pest Prevention Services, 1220 N Street, Room A-316, Sacramento, California, 95814, (916) 654-1017, FAX (916) 654-1018.

Date

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